

**Washington, DC** – U.S. Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez (TX-23) voted Wednesday to invest in the American economy through the Jobs for Main Street Act. The Act targets small businesses, critical road and bridge infrastructure, emergency responders, teachers and those in direst need of help during these challenging economic times.

**“Our struggling economy needs a shot in the arm, and the Jobs for Main Street Act does that,” said Congressman Rodriguez. “This bill will put more Americans back to work, stimulate investment, increase consumer confidence and ultimately help get our economy back on track.”**

The Jobs for Main Street Act will provide \$48 billion to create jobs rebuilding the nation’s crumbling infrastructure, modernizing buildings and cleaning our air and water.

It will also invest \$27 billion to put teachers, police and firefighters back to work. That translates to helping states save or create 250,000 education jobs over the next two years, putting 5,000 law enforcement officers back on our streets and expanding job training programs nationwide.

**“I voted against both bailouts because I believe hardworking taxpayer’s money should not go to Wall Street, but rather should be reinvested in our communities and used to put people back to work,” Congressman Rodriguez said. “This bill is deficit-neutral and will do more for our economy than the failed policies of the past.”**

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